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In re the application of:

GOUDSMIT ET AL.

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

December 19, 2000

Sir:

The undersigned hereby petitions for a two-month extension of time in which to file an amendment in response to the Office Action dated July 20, 2000.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 02-2334 in the amount of Three hundred and Ninety dollars (\$390.00) for payment of the required fee. In the event any additional fees are due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 02-2334.

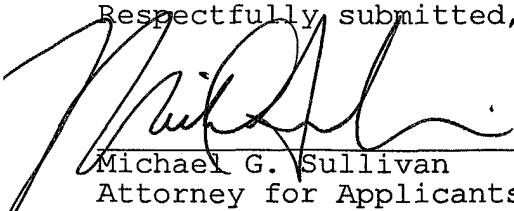
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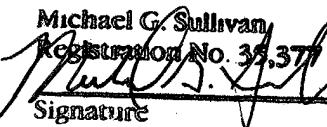
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